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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. Two

Part B for July 19

SUBJECT.

Devan's Tours.

Se 46) From Sec D. C. Nolan Esq
no cho de 29-4-18

Forwards a list showing the progress made during the half year ended 31-12-17 in the disposal of subjects mentioned in the Devan's Tour notes in Jan'y. and Mar. 1914.

Se 52) To the Secy to Govt. Rev. Deptt.
" " Education and Agri.
" " Irrig: Deptt.
No G 2223-6 de 28-7-1919
Forwards the above list for disposal.

W D 1250—GPB—30,000 28-1-19

28/9/19
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4.2.1920

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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File No. 90-14

FILE HEADING.

Dewan's Tours

From The Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District

No. C. R440 Dated 29.4.18. Received 1.5.18.

Diary No. 8722 Enclos. 1 Spare Copies. — Serial No. 46

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards a list showing the progress made during the half-year ended 31.12.17 in the disposal of subjects mentioned in the Dewan's Tour notes in Jan & March 1914.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Subd.

1) The original file containing the Tour notes as well as the instructions to D.C. Kolar as to how they should be dealt with is put up.

NOTES—First Sheet.

WD 1232—GPB—20,000—18-11-16

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Gen File No. 90 of 1914.

Serial No.

1) Two bound books giving a list of the subjects against which progress is marked up to 30.9.15 are sub.

2) The file may as usual be sent to other branches viz I, III and IV for noting the progress made in each of the subjects ~~cases~~ referred to in the D.C's letter

Sd/ 23/5/18

Sd/ 20/5/18

Sd/ 23/5/18

For I)

4) Subd for orders

23-5-18.

5) I have sent a note on this subject yesterday. Orders of the Chief Secy thereon may perhaps be awaited.

6) The Register will perhaps be useful in preparing the Responsibility Sheet (Form A) therein referred to

For V)

Sd/ 23/5

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ROUTINE NOTES.

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[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., not intended for permanent record.]

Submitted.

No action is perhaps necessary at present as the file is pending for over 8 months in the Dus-shelf. The file may perhaps be ordered to be recorded

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Please bring it up

Kie
2.4.19

Asst. Secretary's ~~work~~ instructions to prepare a list of subjects yet undisposed of and to send it to the branches for action".

CHIEF SE...
MINOR...
- 2 APR 1919

N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied or slips pasted on this form.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

for File No. 90 of 1914.

Serial No.	
	Submitted with reference to p supra. As stated therein orders of the Chief Secy are awaited. Sam 25/5/18
	Submitted with a draft forwarding the subjects still undisposed of to the respective Secretariats for disposal 20.5.18
	This is another of the old Term note on which no Resp^y sheet is sent at the time — S/r this may be attended Chief Secy 24/5
	Issue 24/5

GEN. REV. SECRETARIAT. V GENERAL 27 MAY. 1918

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NOTE—Contn. sheet.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.	G.M. File No. 90 of 1914.

Serial No.	
52	To The Secy: to Govt Rev deptt: " " " Edn & Agri " " " Munz: deptt. G. 2223-6 dd 28.7.1919. Forwards a statement showing the subjects still undisposed of & those noted in the Notes of the Dewan in Kolar dt. for disposal.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.
IV
[illegible] Rpts.
3 JUL 1919

NOTE—Contn. sheet.

Deputy Commissioner's office,

Kolar District,

Dated Kolar, the 29th April 1918.

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From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esquire, B.A.,

Offg. Deputy Commissioner,

Kolar District.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a list showing the progress made during the half year ended 31st December 1917, in the disposal of subjects mentioned in the Dewan's tour notes in January and March 1914, respectively.

2. Subjects already disposed of are omitted from the list herein enclosed.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B. Venkoba Rao

Offg. Deputy Commissioner,

Kolar District.

W.D. 0241–GPB—6,00,000–19-5-15—S.

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From

To

Dated

Despatched

Received

General No. 3 DG 40/5

No.

Enclosure No. /

Forwarding a list of names
& particulars made up to
[illegible] of soldiers entitled
to demand their release
on 1st March 1914 under
Half Year ended 31/12/

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Subjects mentioned in the Dewan's tour notes for January 1914.

GENERAL SUBJECTS

No.	Progress made.
36	A reference is made to Government in the matter.
64	This may be considered when the question of the abolition or re-constitution of the Gudibanda Sub Taluk is settled.

Offg. Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

March 1914.

47	A proposal is sent to the Inspector-General of Police in the matter.

Offg. Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

Statement showing the subjects still unexpired noted in the Day Notes of the Dewan in the Kolar District (the Taluks of Kolar, Mulbagal, Bowringpet and Malur) in March 1914.

Sl: No	Taluk	Subject	Reference to Page and Item in	Stage at which pending	Remarks

1 (6)	Kolar	construction of a stop-tank for temporary storage of floods within the Palar series.	Page 1 Irrg wants para 5	Proposals from the Executive Engineer are awaited
2 (5)	Do.	Road from Vakkaleri to a point on the road midway between Bowringpet and Kolar	Page numbering no (1)	The Amildar has prepared estimates and plan for this work. He is getting it done under the Village improvement scheme.
3) (12)	Do	~~Supply of good water to for Cattle~~ Upper bank for Somanahalli tank.	~~Do~~ ~~No 1~~ to no 5.	~~This will be attended to after rabi crop~~ Executive Engineer says that the project is getting ready
4) 18)	Mulbagal	Restoration of tanks in the Taluks		(out of the 12 tanks 10 have been already reported ~~to be~~ taken up. ~~Projects have been prepared and forwarded to~~ The Dy Com^r Kolar ~~of this~~ has been requested to get estimates prepared by his Dt naranat Engt in the case of the other two tanks FQ 3066/ARIP1-405 dt 13.9.15)
5 19)	Do	water supply to mulbagal		(The President of Board says that a reference ~~to be~~ has been made to the water supply deptt and that reply is awaited)
6 12)	Do	Construction of a lifting dam at Nangli		Executive Engineer says that the work is in progress.

7 (23)	Mulbagal	Complaints from inamdars enjoying concessions in respect of tanks constructed by their ancestors that a recent order of Govt. was unfavourable to them	Page 5 minor wants no 2	Still under investigation
8) 24	Do	Abolition of the union at Devarayasandra	Do no(3)	No. Dt Board have resolved that the union should not be abolished and the proposal of the Dt Board is under consideration of Govt.
9 27	Bowringpet	Improvement of water supply to Bowringpet town	Page 7 Imp. wants no 2	One project to improve the Doddakere which is reserved for drinking purposes is under investigation by the Executive water supply and Stores Division
10 (32)	Do	Construction of a lifting dam from ourgaum Doddakere	minor wants no(3)	Estimate is under preparation.
11 (34)	Do	Constructing an anicut or weir at Kodihalli	Do no 5	Under investigation
12 (35)	Do	Delay in dealing with tank projects tho' contributions have been paid.	Page 7 para (1)	Out of the 3 cases, one was given up another sanctioned and estimate is under preparation for the 3rd.

13 36	Bowringpet	Restoration of the Kadirenhalli tank and treating it as a major one	Page 7 minor works no 6.	~~Will be looked into~~
14 (37)	Do -	Raising the weir of the Budikote tank.	Do no)	Under investigation
15 (39)	Malur	Improving the watersupply to malur town	Page 9 Irrigation works no (11	This is under investigation by the Ex. Engineer - watersupply Div
16 (41)	Do	Constructing a Dr Trench road from malur to Bowringpet	Do no. 3.	(The President of Board says that the Amildar has been written to in the matter)
17 (42)	Do	Restoration of a large number of tanks in the malur Taluk	Page 9 para 2	Projects for 7 tanks have been prepared. These are likely to be sanctioned as soon as payment of Contribution from ryots is secured Surveys have been completed for 5 tanks and projects for these are under preparation by the Subovesseers.
TR (45)	~~Do~~	~~Payment of loans to amildars to~~ to enable their village	Page 10 minor works no +	

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18 (46)	malur	Construction of a road from Thyakal to Toralakki	Page 11 minor works no 2	under investigation
19 49	Do.	~~Do~~ Construction of a road from Vakkaleri to join some point towards the middle of Bowringpet ~~Kolar~~ Road	Do no 5	~~Do~~

(91)	Kdav	Supply of good seed for cocoon	Page 2 minor wants no 2	(This will be attended to by the silk expert.)	

1 25	Mulbagal	Repairs to Hyder Ali Dargah	Part 5 minor wants no !	(Estimate is awaited from the Deputy Commr. Kolar Dt)

1	Bowringpet	Transfer of the munsiff's court at the Field to Bowringpet	Page 7 mind wants no 2	Estimate for building a courthouse and quarters for the munsiff on the site offered by the Handdoorg company is under preparation
2 (47)	malur	Establishment of a town police station for malur	Page 10 minor wants no (3)	A proposal has been sent to the I.G. of Police in the matter

1	Kolar	Construction of a stop tank for temporary storage of floods within the Palar	Page 1 Imp.Wants para 5	Proposals from the Executive Engineer are awaited.
2	do	Road from Vakkleri to a point on the road midway between Bowringpet and Kolar.	Minor Wants No.(1)	The Amildar has prepared estimates and plan for this work. He is getting it done under the Village Improvement Scheme.
3	do	Upper bank for Somambudi tank.	No.5	Executive Engineer says that the project is getting ready-
4	Mulbagal	Restoration of tanks in the taluks		Out of the 12 tanks ten have been already reportedto be taken up. The Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District has been requested to get estimates prepared by his District Maramat Establishment in the case of the other two tanks (R.3066/L.R.181-14-5 dated 13-9-1915)
5	do	Water supply to Mulbagal		The President, District Board/ says that a reference has been made to the Water Supply Department and that reply is awaited.

	Kulbagal	Construction of a lifting dam at Nangli.		The Executive Engineer says that the work is in progress.
	do	Complaints from Inamdars enjoying concessions in respect of tanks constructed by their ancestors that a recent order of Govt. was unfavourable to them.	Page 5 Minor wants No.2	Still under investigation.
8	do	Abolition of the Union at Devarayasandra.	-do- No.3	The District Board have resolved that the Union should not be abolished and the proposal of the District Board is under the consideration of Government.
9.	Bowringpet	Improvement of Water supply to Bowringpet town.	Page 7 Imp-Wants No.2	The project to improve the Doddakere which is reserved for drinking purposes is under investigation by the Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Stores Division.
	do	Construction of a lifting dam from Oorgaum Doddakere	Minor Wants No.3	Estimate is under preparation.
	Kolar	Construction of an ane or weir at Kadiladi	do	Under investigation

12.	Bowringpet	Delay in dealing with tank projects though contributions have been paid.	Page 7 Para (4)	Out of the 3 cases one was given up, another sanctioned and estimate is under preparation for the third.
13	do	Restoration of the Kadirenahalli tank and treating it as a major one	Page 7 Minor Wants No.6	
14	do	Raising the weir of the Budikote tank.	do No.7	Under investigation.
15	Malur	Improving the water supply to Malur town.	Page 9 Imp. Wants No.1	This is under investigation by the Executive Engineer, Water Supply Division.
16	do	Construction of a District Fund Road from Malur to Bowringpet	do No.3	The President District Board says that the Amildar has been written to in the matter.
17.	do	Restoration of a large number of tanks in the Malur Taluk	Page 9 Para 2	Projects for 7 tanks have been ~~reported repaired~~ prepared. These are likely to be sanctioned as soon as payment of contribution from ryots is secured. Surveys have been completed for 5 tanks and projects for these are under preparation by the Sub-Overseers

18	Malur	Construction of a road from Thyakal to Toralakki	Page 11 Minor Wants No.2	Under investigation.	

Education Secretariat

1	Kolar	Supply of good seed for cocoon.	Page 2 Minor Wants No.2	This will be attended to by the Silk Expert

Muzrai Secretariat

1	Mulbagal	Repairs to Hyder Ali Durga	Page 5 Minor Wants. No.4	Estimate is awaited from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

Chief Secretariat

1.	Bowringpet	Transfer of the Munsiff's Court at the Field to - Bowringpet.	Page 7 Minor Wants No.2	Estimate for building a Court house and quarters for the Munsiff on the site offered by the Nandydroog Company is under preparation.
2.	Malur	Establishment of a Town Police Station for Malur	Page 10 Minor Wants No.3	A proposal has been sent to the Inspector General of Police in the matter.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Signed by.. Sri MV Iyengar

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NOTES OF THE DEWAN'S TOUR

IN THE

KOLAR DISTRICT

THROUGH THE TALUKS OF

KOLAR, MULBAGAL, BOWRINGPET AND MALUR.

MARCH 1914.

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NOTES OF THE DEWAN'S TOUR IN THE KOLAR DISTRICT.

March 1914.

KOLAR TALUK.

1. Principal Features and General Condition.

The average rainfall in the taluk is about 28·42 inches but last year it was only 21·90 inches. The crop outturn suffered greatly on account of deficient rainfall but the District officers inform me that, as prices ruled high, no difficulty has been experienced in paying the assessment.

The taluk has a large number of major and minor tanks but the condition of the latter, numbering 143, is unsatisfactory.

The town of Kolar had been evacuated till a week or two before the visit on account of plague. The trade and general prosperity of the town have suffered by repeated visitations of that epidemic..

The town was recently connected with Bowringpet by a narrow-gauge railway which was opened by His Highness the Maharaja on the 15th of December last. The traffic during the past three months has exceeded the original expectations.

There is a large Mahommedan population in the town and the neighbourhood. Many of these were formerly employed in sericulture and in driving jutkas to Bowringpet and the decrease in these occupations due to diseased eggs and the opening of the new railway, respectively, has injuriously affected them. They are, however, unwilling to leave their present homes and go to the Gold Fields, Cauvery Reservoir Works or other places, where they can find abundant employment.

There is a branch of the Methodist Episcopal Mission in Kolar, who have a boarding school for Indian Christian girls, a well equipped hospital for women and children and an industrial school subsidized by Government.

2. Important Wants.

(1) Extension of railway to Chintamani and thence to Chikballapur. A project has been prepared and is under consideration.

(2) The water-supply of Kolar town is insufficient in quantity and impure as regards quality. A scheme estimated to cost Rs. 14,000 has been sanctioned since my visit for partial improvement of the supply by providing settling tanks and for an iron pipe to connect them with the town. Government have agreed to contribute half the cost as a grant from State funds. The Executive Engineer has been requested to further examine the project before starting the work to make sure that the head available at present is sufficient to provide the increased supply proposed; and also that the improvements now proposed are such that no work that may be executed now may have to be undone when further developments are contemplated. A minimum head of 15 feet will be usually necessary within the town.

(3) With regard to the Kolar Municipality representations were made that (*a*) the octroi on jaggory, ghee, sugar and other articles of food may be abolished and that (*b*) persons who take up house sites should be required to build within a specified time limit. These matters require enquiry.

(4) A committee should be formed consisting of the leaders of the Mahommedan community and the officers of Government to consider what might be done to improve the economic condition of the Mahommedans and, if possible, to encourage them to migrate to places where employment is available, or where lands can be provided to enable them to take up agricultural work.

(5) The tanks within the Palar series are in the zone of heavy storms and floods and in the north-east monsoon they are liable to breach suddenly. A preliminary investigation should be made and rough outlines of a scheme submitted within six months for a stop-tank for temporary storage of floods.

(6) Primary and Anglo-Vernacular Schools have been asked for for several villages. A list of these should be prepared. One Mr. Muninarayana Chetty of Kolar stated that he was willing to spend Rs. 20,000 on a Chattram and extension of education. The offer may be considered.

3. *Minor Wants and Individual Representations.*

(1) A road seems to be required from Vakkaleri to a point on the road somewhere midway between Bowringpet and Kolar.

(2) A supply of good seed for cocoons is in demand. The Agricultural Committee may give attention to this want.

(3) The question of reviving the manufacture of *kumblis* is another matter requiring attention.

Weaving in various parts of the district requires encouragement.

(4) The work done by the officials of the Darga at Kolar should be examined and the management of the affairs of the institution placed on a more satisfactory footing.

(5) The Somambudhi tank channels have no upper bank. The question of providing one and of maintaining the tanks in a proper condition including the distribution of water seems to deserve special attention. The Chief Engineer should be requested to visit these tanks and prepare rules for the purpose.

6) The tank at Kyalanur requires to be improved.

(7) The Madigars at Sugutur want a well which may be provided.

4. *Inspection Notes by Departments and Offices.*

The courtyard of the Taluk Cutcherry was evil-smelling and insanitary. This is stated to be due to the absence of proper latrine accommodation for the Barr guard and the under-trial prisoners who are locked in during night. This elementary precaution should not have escaped the attention of the Amildar.

Statistical information furnished by Mr. P. F. Bowring, Deputy Commissioner.

Kolar Taluk.

Area	Square miles	282
Population	...	80,691
Density per square mile	...	286
Average rainfall for the last five years	Inches	28·42
Rainfall in calendar year 1913	Inches	21·90

AREA OF PRINCIPAL CROPS:—

(a) Food Crops:—

Crop	Area cultivated Acres	Outturn Rs.
Ragi	29,902	4,79,416
Paddy	4,906	39,248
Samè and Navane	948	3,794
Jola	22	89
Potatoes ...	101	20,350
Black gram ...	918	3,677
Horse gram ...	3,534	7,068

(b) COMMERCIAL CROPS:—

Sugar-cane ...	447	49,550
Mulberry ...	2,168	1,08,400
Turmeric ...	112	11,200
Ground nuts ...	572	2,290
Tobacco ...	72	3,640
Chillies ...	122	12,300

REVENUE UNDER MAIN HEADS:—

	Rs.	
Land Revenue including Land Revenue Miscellaneous	1,79,552	
Forest	4,822	
Excise	54,745	
Mohatarfa	3,004	
Salt	103	
Miscellaneous	40,897	
TOTAL	Rs.	2,83,123

MAJOR TANKS—

	No.	Area Acres	Assessment Rs.		
(a) Restored ...	39	7,454	43,766		
(b) Unrestored ...	5	347	1,867		
Total number of major tanks				...	44
Total area irrigated				Acres	7,801
Total assessment of the area irrigated ...				Rs.	45,633

MINOR TANKS—

	No.	Area Acres	Assessment Rs.		
(a) Restored ...	58	575	2,539		
(b) Unrestored ...	143	3,034	15,057		
Total number of minor tanks				...	201
Total area irrigated				Acres.	3,609
Total assessment on the irrigated area ...				Rs.	17,596
Municipality				No.	1
Union				No.	1

NOTES OF THE DEWAN'S TOUR IN THE KOLAR DISTRICT.

March 1914.

MULBAGAL TALUK.

1. Principal Features and General Condition.

This taluk, which is situated in the eastern part of the district, is comparatively poor, as the soil is everywhere sandy and of inferior quality. There are many tanks but they do not all fill, and as many as 411 are in disrepair.

The people are dependent on agriculture and there is no trade worth mentioning.

At the time of the visit, the town of Mulbagal had been evacuated owing to plague which appears to be a frequent visitor. Both town and taluk seem to have suffered much from plague.

There is a well-endowed Anjaneya temple in the town with an income of Rs. 2,400 per annum.

2. *Important Wants.*

(1) *Restoration of tanks.*—There is a great cry that tanks are silting up and becoming shallow. The Executive Engineer and the Revenue Sub-Division Officer have been requested to get correct estimates prepared immediately for restoring about 12 tanks in the first instance with the aid of the people interested. The estimates should be sent up with definite proposals showing how much of the cost the villagers are prepared to contribute and what concessions they want and may be offered. The works may be carried out by the people themselves under the supervision of Government Officers.

(2) *Water-supply to Mulbagal town.*—The Executive Engineer has been requested to investigate a project for supplying water to the town from the Madhavasagar tank.

(3) More elementary schools are required in the taluk.

(4) Many villages are in need of a good water-supply.

3. *Minor Wants and Individual Representations.*

(1) *A lifting dam at Nangli.*—The Executive Engineer has promised to construct one after obtaining sanction to estimates.

(2) There were complaints from some Inamdars, enjoying concessions in respect of tanks constructed by their ancestors, that a recent order of Government was unfavourable to them. The Deputy Commissioner has been requested to report on them.

(3) The inhabitants of Devarayasandra want the Union to be abolished, as they wish to start a Village Committee to attend to sanitation, etc. The request may be considered.

(4) Hyder-Ali Darga is stated to require repairs. If there is money to the credit of the institution, the repairs should be carried out.

4. *Inspection Notes by Departments and Offices.*

The records in the taluk office are not arranged satisfactorily.

Revenue work in the taluk seems to be slow. Arrears of revenue are outstanding for a large number of years.

The bedsteads in the Hospital were not kept clean or in a serviceable condition.

Statistical information furnished by Mr. P. F. Bowring, Deputy Commissioner.

Mulbagal Taluk.

Area	Square miles	326
Population	...	68,556
Density per square mile	...	210
Average rainfall for the last five years	Inches	27·72
Rainfall in calendar year 1913	Inches	22·39

AREA OF PRINCIPAL CROPS—

(a) FOOD CROPS—

Crop	Area cultivated Acres.	Outturn Rs.
Paddy	6,435	1,37,325
Ragi	27,043	6,83,865
Horse gram ...	6,363	42,080
Jola	9	75
Avare	2,507	25,000
Thogari	2,503	25,000
Samé	3,380	5,000
Haraka	826	2,000

(b) COMMERCIAL CROPS—

Sugar-cane ...	1,099	1,52,152
Chillies	300	1,500
Tamarind	...	6,000
Tobacco	38	400

REVENUE UNDER MAIN HEADS—

	Rs.
Land Revenue including Land Revenue Miscellaneous	1,66,100
Forest	3,493
Excise	26,954
Mohatarfa	2,460
Salt	31
Miscellaneous	25,949
TOTAL ... ... Rs.	2,24,987

MAJOR TANKS—

	No.	Area Acres	Assessment Rs.
(a) Restored ...	55	6,478	37,490
(b) Unrestored	7	842	5,045

Total number of major tanks		62
Total area irrigated	Acres	7,320
Total assessment of the area irrigated ...	Rs.	42,535

MINOR TANKS—

	No.	Area Acres	Assessment Rs.
(a) Restored ...	199	4,126	22,275
(b) Unrestored	411	3,459	20,845

Total number of minor tanks		610
Total area irrigated	Acres	7,585
Total assessment on the irrigated area ...	Rs.	43,120
Municipality	No.	1
Towns	No.	4

NOTES OF THE DEWAN'S TOUR IN THE KOLAR DISTRICT.

March 1914.

BOWRINGPET TALUK.

1. *Principal Features and General Condition.*

This taluk derives its importance from the Kolar Gold Mines situate within its limits and much of its prosperity is due to the gold industry. There are two large tanks, the Betamangala and the Ramasagar, the former of which is reserved for water-supply to the Mines.

The rainfall during 1913 was 19·23 inches as against an average of 28·84. Notwithstanding the scanty rainfall, people generally seemed to be well off on account of the large amount of business in the town due to the Gold Field.

There seems to be considerable industrial and trade activity in Bowringpet. There are two large Cigarette Factories, one owned by a Hindu gentleman and the other by a Mahommedan. There are already signs of unhealthy competition between these factories.

A weaving factory is reported to have been closed recently. Sulikunte is an important weaving centre and has a Co-operative Society for the benefit of weavers.

2. *Important Wants.*

(1) Increase in the number of elementary schools in the taluk.

(2) Improvement of water-supply to Bowringpet town. A suitable project should be prepared and submitted.

It is stated that the income derived from the weekly *sante* (fair) is capable of improvement and if proper precautions are taken, there will be a substantial addition to the Municipal income from which the cost of improving the water-supply might be met.

(3) Restoration of minor tanks which the people seem to be willing to undertake if suitable concessions are given.

(4) Improvement in drinking water-supply in villages.

3. *Minor Wants and Individual Representations.*

(1) The question of supply of electric light to Bowringpet may be investigated.

(2) The transfer of the Munsiff's Court at the Field to Bowringpet was suggested.

(3) A lifting dam for Ooregaum Doddakere.

If sanctioned, the people offer to pay a contribution of one-third of the cost.

(4) Enlargement of the school buildings at Sulikunte and Madamangala.

(5) An *anè* or weir at Kodihalli.

(6) Kadirenahalli which is treated as a minor tank is stated to require earthwork estimated to cost about Rs. 2,000. A request is made that it may be treated as a major tank and restored as it will irrigate lands yielding an assessment of nearly Rs. 300.

(7) Raising waste weir of the Budikote tank.

4. *Inspection Notes by Departments and Offices.*

The transactions in the Treasury are very heavy, most of them however being concerned with remittances outside the State in connection with the Gold Industry. A few cases of delay in which, though contributions were received from the raiyats several years ago, the tank projects applied for have not been finally dealt with, came to notice. The complaint should receive attention from the Deputy Commissioner and the Executive Engineer.

Statistical information furnished by Mr. P. F. Bowring, Deputy Commissioner.

Bowringpet Taluk.

Area including 14·88 square miles of the Kolar Gold Fields)	Square miles		336
Population (including 48,635 persons on the Kolar Gold Fields)			1,45,721
Density per square mile for the taluk			302
Do for the Kolar Gold Fields			3,242
Average rainfall for the last five years	Inches		28·84
Rainfall in calendar year 1913	Inches		19·23

AREA OF PRINCIPAL CROPS

FOOD CROPS—

Crop	Area cultivated	Outturn
	Acres.	Rs.
Ragi	29,698	5,51,170
Paddy	6,989	78,680
Avare	2,444	1,64,970
Horse gram ...	5,720	1,93,050

COMMERCIAL CROPS—

Chillies	328	8,200
Gingelly	266	5,985
Ground nuts ...	326	16,300
Sugar-cane ...	350	1,66,300

REVENUE UNDER MAIN HEADS—

Land Revenue including Miscellaneous	Land Revenue	Rs.		1,45,793
Forest	... ...			5,416
Excise	... ...			5,31,346
Monetaria	... ...			2,903
Miscellaneous	... ...			43,895
	TOTAL	Rs.		7,29,353

NOTE—*To these must be added the royalty from Gold Mines which, during the year 1912, amounted to Rs. 18,99,810, the value of the output for the same period being Rs. 3,23,75,565.)*

MAJOR TANKS—

	No.	Area	Assessment		
		Acres	Rs.		
Restored	33	3,919	22,300		
Unrestored	4	256	1,381		
Total number of major tanks					37
Total area irrigated				Acres	4,175
Total assessment of the area irrigated ...				Rs.	23,681

MINOR TANKS—

	No.	Area	Assessment		
		Acres	Rs.		
Restored	151	2,797	14,726		
Unrestored	356	3,044	15,862		
Total number of minor tanks					507
Total area irrigated				Acres	5,841
Total assessment on the irrigated area ...				Rs.	30,588
Municipalities				No.	1
Villages				No.	2

NOTES OF THE DEWAN'S TOUR IN THE KOLAR DISTRICT.

March 1914.

MALUR TALUK.

1. Principal Features and General Condition.

In this taluk, as elsewhere in the district, cultivation almost entirely depends upon rainfall. The partial failure of the monsoon last year seems to have affected the condition of the agricultural population, although, owing to a favourable monsoon in the previous year, no actual distress is felt.

The taluk has a large number of tanks, but many of these have silted up and the people everywhere seemed anxious for their restoration. Much difficulty is said to be experienced all over the taluk for drinking water.

The people are chiefly agriculturists. In the town of Malur and its vicinity, there is a large number of Tigalars, a caste of hereditary gardeners, who grow potatoes, chillies and chrysanthemums on an extensive scale, for export to Madras. Although an important railway passes through the town, the people have no enterprise and do not show any inclination to leave their homes in search of profitable employment elsewhere. There are large casuarina plantations which supply fuel to Bangalore, Bowringpet and other places. Cattle rearing is one of the minor occupations of the taluk.

Some attempt has been made to improve weaving by the introduction of fly shuttle looms, which are being worked successfully in the town of Malur.

A special feature of the taluk is that out of a total number of 374 villages in the taluk, no less than 107 villages having an area of nearly 34,373 acres are classed as jodi or inam.

The excellent sanitary condition in which the populous village of Lakkur is maintained by the combined effort of the people themselves is a good example of what Village Committees might be able to do in rural areas. The Patel and Shanbhog of this village deserve great credit for keeping the village tidy.

Mr. Shama Rao, an enterprising Pleader of Bowringpet, is carrying on agricultural improvements on a large scale in an inam village named Garudanapalya purchased by him and, while excavating for stones on his land, has come across a large number of stone troughs covered with huge stone slabs.

The troughs contain jars of earthenware put there presumably many centuries ago. A report may be called for on the find from the Archæological Department.

2. Important Wants.

(1) *Water-supply of Malur.*—The water-supply of the town is derived from large ponds which are connected by underground ducts. The water is full of impurities and is insufficient as the ponds run dry during the hot weather. Until a good water-supply is provided, the people desire to have one or two more wells dug along the margin of the tank. It is possible that some relief could be given by providing cisterns in 3 or 4 parts of the town to be filled by means of a power-pump installed at these wells. The people are prepared to pay a water-tax which may enable them to maintain a pump. The question should be thoroughly investigated by the Revenue Sub-Divisional Officer and the Executive Engineer and some practicable proposals submitted at an early date. Government might pay half the capital cost of any feasible scheme that may be sent up.

(2) People want advances for repairs to tanks. It was represented that Government should pay the cost of masonry work and advance loans for executing earthwork to be recovered in instalments.

(3) A District Fund road seems to be required from Malur to Bowringpet *via* Thyakal.

3. Minor Wants and Individual Representations.

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Statistical information furnished by Mr. P. F. Bowring, Deputy Commissioner.

Malur Taluk.

Area...			Square miles	266·56
Population				68,931
Density per square mile				259
Average rainfall for the last five years			Inches	29·25
Rainfall in calendar year 1913			Inches	21·58

AREA OF PRINCIPAL CROPS—

(*a*) FOOD CROPS—

Crop	Area cultivated Acres	Outturn Rs.
Paddy	4,743	85,344
Ragi	30,615	5,74,032
Horse gram	6,022	73,050

(*b*) COMMERCIAL CROPS—

Sugar-cane	473	59,090
Potatoes	409	30,000
Chrysanthemums	437	20,000
Green chillies	440	20,000

REVENUE UNDER MAIN HEADS—

	Rs.		
Land Revenue including Land Revenue Miscellaneous	1,29,009		
Forest	4,565		
Excise	36,390		
Mohatarfa	2,051		
Salt	40		
Miscellaneous	6,993		
TOTAL		Rs.	1,79,048

MAJOR TANKS—

	No.	Area Acres	Assessment Rs.
(*a*) Restored	26	2,736	16,218
(*b*) Unrestored	3	220	1,367

Total number of major tanks		29
Total area irrigated	Acres	2,956
Total assessment of the area irrigated	Rs.	17,585

MINOR TANKS—

	No.	Area Acres	Assessment Rs.
(*a*) Restored	82	1,967	9,676
(*b*) Unrestored	183	2,853	14,569

Total number of minor tanks		265
Total area irrigated	Acres	4,820
Total assessment on the irrigated area	Rs.	24,245

Municipality	No.	1
Unions	No.	3